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Inspektori i Lartë i Drejtësisë Artur Metani  
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HIGH INSPECTOR OF JUSTICE OFFICIAL VISIT TO FRENCH COUNTERPART



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### HIGH INSPECTOR OF JUSTICE OFFICIAL VISIT TO FRENCH COUNTERPART

High Inspector of Justice, Mr. Artur Metani experiences over the years between the was on a short working visit to Paris, to the two inspection services, the one of France General Inspection of Justice of France, and of Albania, as well as their cooperation where he was welcomed by his counterpart as part of the European Network of Mr. Christophe Straudo. During their Inspection Services (RESIJ). The two meeting Mr. Metani and Mr. Straudo counterparts shared ideas on the evaluated the practice of exchanging important role of the institutions they







head, regarding work independence and the influence on the system, to ensure that magistrates uphold high professional and ethical standards, as a real contribution to strengthening citizens' trust in justice and the rule of law.

The High Inspector of Justice had a working meeting with Prosecutor General of the

French Court of Cassation, Mr. Rémy Heitz, who presented to Mr. Metani the constitutional changes of the previous year in France, the role of the High Council of the Judiciary in decision-making in disciplinary proceedings, in his capacity as chairman of this Council responsible for prosecutors, and also the issues of deontology, within his function as deputy director of the French





National School for the Judiciary .During disciplinary process, i.e. prevention, before the meeting with Judge Valérie Delnaud, the disciplinary sanctions for the judges and who heads the cabinet of the Minister of prosecutors.Regarding this approach, the Justice, the focus of the discussion was the French Ministry of Justice has established similar challenges of the justice system in the College of Deontology, which consists France and Albania, as well as the French of famous names not only in justice, but experience, which focuses on the pre- also under the guidance of a seasoned







expert of the system, judge François Feltz former chief of the French General Inspection of Justice, with whom Mr. Metani discussed issues of ethics and deontology of judges and prosecutors. professional experiences were at the center of the meeting that the High Inspector of Justice had with the director of the French National School for the Judiciary, Ms. Nathalie Roret. Director Roret presented to Mr. Metani the upcoming project of cooperation with the Albanian School of Magistrates. Issues of the deontology of judges and prosecutors as well as the exchange of





### HIJ TEAM PROFESSIONAL EXCHANGE AT FRENCH INSPECTORATE

A team of the High Inspector of Justice Office, consisting of inspectors, assistant inspectors and members of the cabinet, conducted a 5-day study visit to the General Inspection of Justice of France, in Paris, with the support of Expertise France and EU4Justice.

At the beginning of the visit, the HIJ team was welcomed by the Chief of the General Inspection of Justice, Mr. Christophe Strau- Volgo and the inspectors of this department, Ms. Marjorie Obadia and Mr. Lu-

*The delegation of the High Inspector of Justice Office had working sessions with the team of the Department of Ethics at the General Inspection of Justice of France.*





dovic Belfanti conducted presentation sessions on ethics and pre-disciplinary procedure of magistrates, as well as administrative investigations, methodology, the right to defense, objectivism techniques, which were followed by professional discussions with the HIJ team. The HIJ team had a work session at Paris Judicial Court, where it was welcomed by the president of this Court,

Mr. Stéphane Noël and the head of the Prosecution Office attached to this Court, Ms. Laure Beccuau, who presented the organization and operation of the court and prosecution office, as well as focusing on the ethics of judges and prosecutors, aiming at the role of the president of the court and the head of prosecution office. Then, the team of the High Inspector of Justice





Office had a working session with the President of the Ethics College of the Ministry of Justice, Mr. François Feltz, who presented the role and conditions for establishing the structure of the College of Ethics, its organization and ways of operating. During a visit to the National School for the Judiciary in Paris, the HIJ delegation was welcomed by the director of the school,

Ms. Nathalie Roret, while later, the training and external relations team, presented to the HIJ team the functions of the school which focuses on the training activities of magistrates in the field of ethics. The disciplinary procedure of magistrates was presented to the HIJ delegation in a special work session by Ms. Soizic Guillaume, dep-







uty Director of Human Resources for the judiciary, followed by discussions on concrete work experiences. This study visit of the HIJ team to gain firsthand knowledge of the French practice, comes within the framework of professional exchanges between the two inspection institutions,

starting with the training visits of French inspectors to Tirana in 2021 and 2023. The visit was made possible by the support of Expertise France and EU4Justice.





**THE HIGH INSPECTOR OF JUSTICE,  
GUEST OF “IDM MORNING BRIEFING”**

The High Inspector of Justice, Mr. Artur Metani, was the guest at the fourth meeting of the “IDM Morning Briefing,” a communication forum organized by the Institute for Democracy and Mediation. This format aims to foster open discus-







The meeting with the High Inspector of Justice aimed to promote an evidence-based discussion on the overall quality of justice, the conclusion of the vetting process, the challenges faced by the High Inspector of Justice as the institution responsible for addressing misconducts by judges and prosecutors, the management of complaints, the parliamentary initiative for deepening reforms, the rule of law and an-





ti-corruption, issues of independence and separation of powers, and future perspectives in the current context of justice reform in Albania.

The discussions also focused on addressing the current issues within the system,

the critical importance of cooperation between institutions to achieve the primary objective for which the justice reform was conceived: an independent justice system free from any kind of influence and effective for all citizens.







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PHOTOS FROM THE ACTIVITY







## STATE SUPREME AUDIT CONFIRMS ORGANIZATIONAL AND FINANCIAL ACTIVITY OF HIGH INSPECTOR OF JUSTICE OFFICE

The State Supreme Audit completed the financial audit performed in the Office of the High Inspector of Justice for the 3-year work period, from 01.01.2021 to 31.12.2023, and provided a positive assessment for the institution's performance in law enforcement, financial planning and management.

Among the issues identified by the audit team of the State Supreme Audit (SSA) there were: The activity of the Office of the High Inspector of Justice, Drafting and implementing the state budget, Auditing the annual accounts, Evaluating the functioning

of financial management and control systems according to the components of financial management and internal control.

The final audit report, estimates that "In our opinion, the financial statements of the HIJ Office presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the institution on December 31, 2022, referring to the regulatory framework in force: National Standards of Accounting, the Law "On the Management of the Budget System" and the Instructions of the Ministry of Finance and Economy in terms of preparing the annual financial statements, etc. on which the

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audited entity relied for the preparation of the financial statements that justify the rendering of an unqualified/unmodified opinion.”

The audit of the SSA included the economic and financial activity of the Office of the High Inspector of Justice, including legal acts and by-laws, as well as in terms of:

- The application of legality for the appointments and operation of management structures, the decisions taken and their implementation
- Budget planning, implementation of criteria in its planning, implementation of the budget plan, as well as administrative expenses
- Implementation of legal provisions for the organizational structure of the Insti-

tution

- Application of legal provisions in keeping accounting records, assessment of whether assets and liabilities are calculated correctly and in accordance with legal acts and by-laws, as well as their reconciliation, opinion on the financial statements for 2022
- Functioning of the financial management and control system

The final audit report of the State Supreme Audit performed in the HIJ Office can be read here: [FINAL AUDIT REPORT](#)

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## JUNE OF HIJ IN NUMBER

During **June** the Office of High Inspector of Justice has administered **97 complaints**, 93 of which were submitted by citizens and 4 submitted by institution .

High Inspector of Justice Office has performed the standard confirmation process of receiving complaints for all the new complaints submitted during May 2024. Complaints against judges and prosecutors are referred to the inspectors and they are at different stages of the process such as the initial consideration, verification and the archiving together with relevant decisions.

ARCHIVED	VERIFICATION	DISCIPLINARY PROCESS
<p><b>61 decisions from 108 practices specifically reviewed:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-50 archiving decisions after initial review;</li> <li>- 11 archiving decisions after verification</li> </ul>	<p><b>18 verification decisions</b></p>	<p><b>1 decision to initiate a disciplinary investigation for 1 magistrate judge</b></p>

## COMPLAINT PROCESS AT HIJ

The Office of the High Inspector of Justice continues with intensive work to confirm the complaints carried and those administered since February 1, 2020, when it was established as an institution.

To facilitate this process for interested persons, HIJ has published on the official website a special complaint form, which:

- Can be completed directly and submitted online;
- Can be downloaded, completed and sent by email to [info@ild.al](mailto:info@ild.al) or by mail at the address **Boulevard "Dëshmorët e Kom-**

**bit", Building no.13, Tirana.**

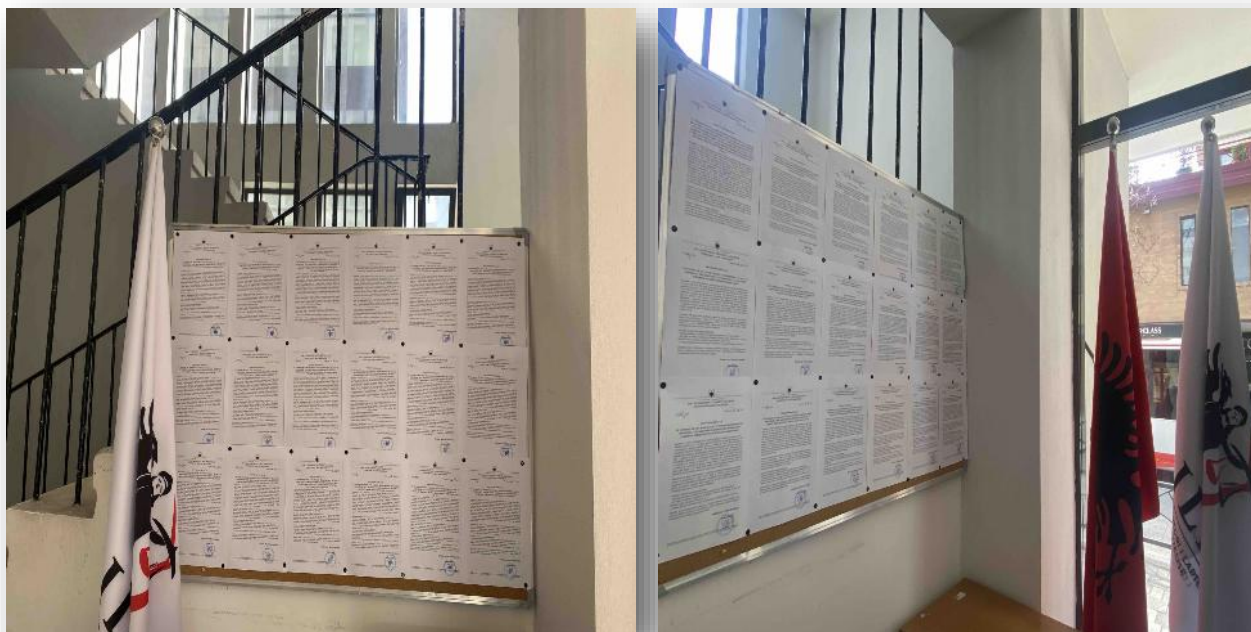
- It can also be completed by presenting at the Office of the High Inspector of Justice, if necessary, to ask for assistance of the team of the Complaints Office.

Upon receipt of the complaint, the High Inspector of Justice within 5 days confirms in writing its receipt.

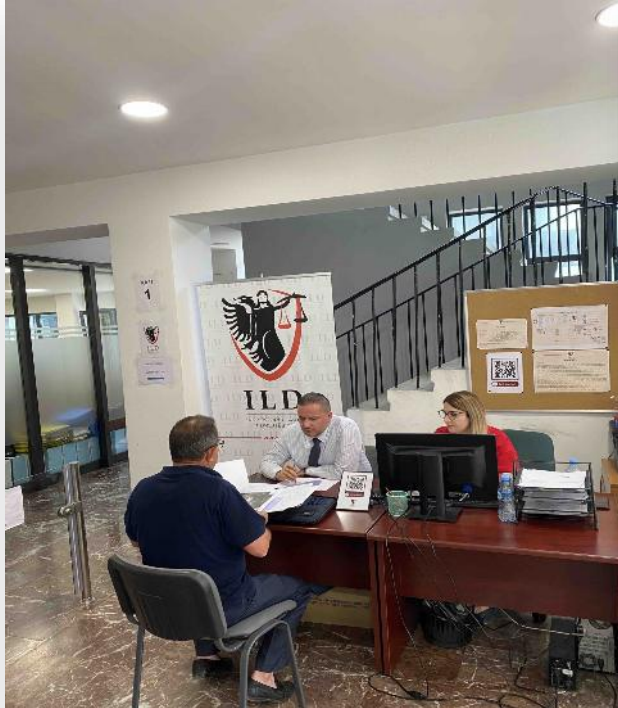
The criteria for the admissibility of the complaint are published on the official website of HIJ [www.ild.al](http://www.ild.al), in the section "**How to receive complaints**".

## PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF DECISIONS

Even during the month of **June 2024**, the Office of the High Inspector of Justice made public announcements of archiving decisions for **13 complainants**, who were unreachable at the addresses communicated by them. In addition to the stands of the HIJ, according to the law, these announcements are also found on our official website and posted in the stands of the municipalities where the complainants come from.



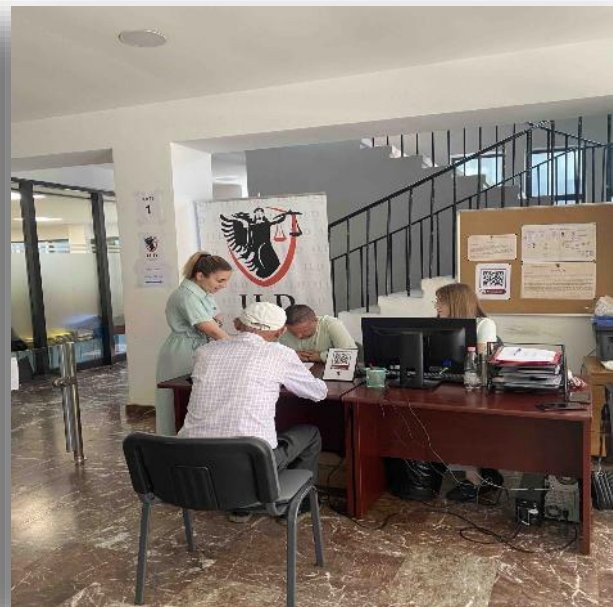
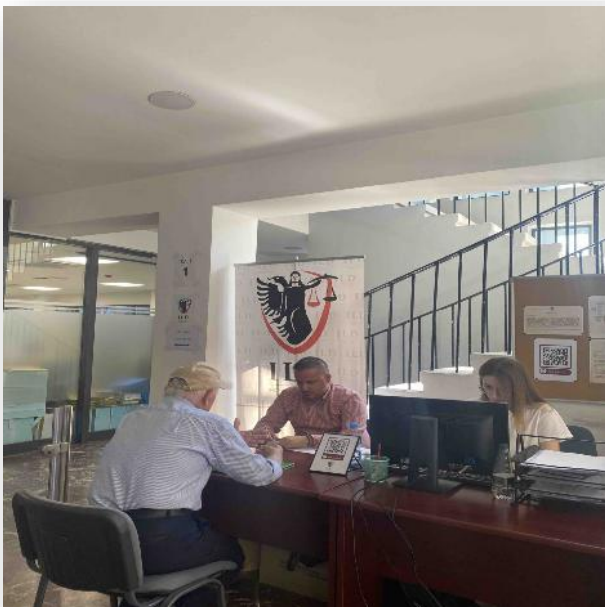




***While assisting the complainants***

The team of complaints office welcomes citizens-complainants every working day from 09:00 am to 02:00 pm, while for increased communication with interested citizens, in addition to communication through the website and official address, the Office of

the High Inspector of Justice has made available the phone number +355 4 2217217. Coordinator for the right to information is part of this sector



*During the month of June 2024, the Complaints and Public Relations Sector received 30 complainants, who appeared at the premises of the Office of the High Inspector of Justice, and 23 phone calls from citizens, who requested information on the stage of their complaints or Information on completing the TIP complaint form.*



## CORDINATOR FOR THE RIGHT TO INFORMATION

In accordance with the principles and rules provided for in law no. 119/2014 "On the right to information", the coordinator for the right to information in the Office of the High Inspector of Justice, enables every applicant the right to be familiar with public information, as well as communicates according to the need with the applicant regarding the processing of the request for public information.

Requests for information are filed by

citizens, legal entities, interested groups, and can be send through the "Albanian Post", e-mail at the address: [info@ild.al](mailto:info@ild.al), as well as the e-mail of the coordinator for the right to information: [amanta.jasa@ild.al](mailto:amanta.jasa@ild.al).

The information provided in the transparency program is published and continuously updated in the register of requests and responses, within the legal deadline.

## MONTHLY FIGURES

During **June 2024**, at the Office of High Inspector of Justice, 17 requests for information were received, which were processed in all cases within 5 days (the law provides that applicants to return response within 10 days).



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#ILD iu nënshtrua për herë të parë auditimit nga Kontrolli i Lartë i Shtetit, për një periudhë 3 vjeçare. Gjetjet dhe raporti  
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Vizitë pune e ekipit të ILD në Gjykatën e Parisit. Kryetari i Gjykatës #StéphaneNoël & prokurorja #LaureBeccuau folën për juridiksionin e gjykatës, rolin e drejtuesve me fokus etikën e magistratëve. #ILD  
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Kënaqësi personale e profesionale të takoj homologun, shefin e Inspektimit të Përgjithshëm të Drejtësisë së Francës #ChristopheStraudo, mik i çmuar i Shqipërisë dhe ILD-së. Mirënjohës për angazhimin e tij për këtë shkëmbim profesional me ekipin e ILD #IGJ #EU4Justice



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Një shkëmbim shumë profesional pikëpikë me zotëtarin #ValérieDelmasaud, që drejton kabinetin e Ministrisë të Drejtësisë. Folëm për shtet e ndajshme të drejtësisë në Francë dhe eksperiencën franceze që synon parandalimin, para sanksionimit disiplinor të magistratëve.



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Në mbyllje të vizitës studimore të një ekipi të ILD-së, mirënjohja ishte për mikpritësin, shefin e inspektoratit #ChristopheStraudo&ekipin e tij për organizimin e shkëlqyer dhe #AxeIGamet e ekipin e tij në #ExpertiseFrance për mbështetjen, falenderime edhe për EU4Justice



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Sektori ynë i ankesave dhe marrëdhënieve me publikun pret qytetarë çdo ditë javë nga ora 09.00-14.00 pranë ambienteve të #ILD-së. Si mund të ankojmë në ILD? Janë disa mënyra, fizikisht ose online e me postë. Për më shumë  
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Pasditë pune e ekipit të ILD në IPD me inspektorët e departamentit të etikës, për t'u njohur e diskutuar mbi etikën dhe procedurën para-disiplinore të magistratëve dhe hetimet administrative. #BéatriceDeVolgo #MarjorieObadia #LudovicBelfanti #ExpertiseFrance #EU4Justice



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Kënaqësi e vecantë diskutimi profesional me një personalitet të drejtësisë franceze #FrancoisFeltz, ish drejtues i Inspektimit të Përgjithshëm të Drejtësisë, aktualisht kryetari i Kolegjit të Deontologjisë së Ministrisë së Drejtësisë. #ILD #ExpertiseFrance #EU4Justice



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Kënaqësi e vecantë takimi&mbiseda e gjatë me Prokurorin e Përgjithshëm të Francës #RemyHeltz, njohësisht kryetari i Keshillit të Lartë të Drejtësisë për prokurorët Magjistër në detyrimet në organizim, parimi i ndarjes së pushteteve si pavarësi së magistratëve mbetet i njëjtë.



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Një ekip i ILD nisi vizitë studimore pranë Inspektoratit të Përgjithshëm të Drejtësisë (IPD) së Mikpritja dhe paraqitja e institucionit nga shefi i IPD, z. Christophe Straudo & ekipi francez. Me mbështetjen e #ExpertiseFrance #EU4Justice

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Në Shkollën Kombëtare të Magistraturës në Paris me mikpritjen e drejtores #NathalieRoret dhe ekipit të Marrëdhënieve me Jashtë, që paraqitën edhe modul të trajnimit të shkollës në fushën e etikës & disiplinës #ILD #InspektoratiFrancez #ExpertiseFrance #EU4Justice



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Takim frytdhënës me drejtorin e Shkollës Kombëtare të Magistraturës në Paris #NathalieRoret, që ndau lajmin e shkëlqyer të zyrtarizimit të shpejtë të bashkëpunimit me Shkollën të Magistraturës. Eksperienca e çmuar për Shqipërisë #ILD #IGJ #ExpertiseFrance #EU4Justice



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Seslon teknik i procedimit disiplinor të magistratëve në Francë nga përfaqësuesja e Ministrisë së Drejtësisë, e ngarkuar me këtë proces znj. Soizic Guillaume. #ILD #InspektoratiFrancez #ExpertiseFrance #EU4Justice



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IDM is pleased to announce the upcoming meeting of 'IDM Morning Briefing' with the participation of the High Inspector of Justice of Albania (HIJ), Mr. Artur Metani, @ILD\_Albania  
Supported by Hanns Seidel Foundation Albania.







## HIJ INSPECTORS, THEORETICAL AND PRACTICAL TRAINING ON THEMATIC INSPECTIONS

The methodology of preparing, conducting and analyzing classic thematic inspections, which took place in Tirana and Durrës, with the participation of the units of inspectors and assistant inspectors of the High Inspector of Justice Office.

The activity organized with the joint contri-

bution of SEJIV (EU and EC project “Strengthening the Quality and Efficiency of Justice in Albania”) and EU4Justice, served as High Inspector of Justice Mr. Artur Metani emphasized in his welcoming speech, the already established tradition of the HIJ Office for the systematic strengthening of the capacities of inspectors and assistants inspectors, and in this specific case, in con-







ducting the classic thematic inspection, based on the best EU standards and practices.

In the first two days, the HIJ inspectors and assistant inspectors were trained on the methodology of organizing thematic inspections, the internal work of courts and prosecution offices, with the French and Romani-

an experiences presented by Mr. Vincent Delbos, former inspector magistrate of the General Inspectorate of Justice in France and Ms. Nicoleta Rhfir, former magistrate inspector of the Judicial Inspectorate of Romania.

The HIJ inspection teams also discussed on setting inspections standards, with refer-





ence to the practice of CEPEJ, the European Commission for Efficiency Justice.

During the two following days, two teams of HIJ inspectors, together with international experts, carried out an inspection mission in the Prosecution Office attached to the Court of First Instance of General Juris-

diction Durrës, according to the annual inspection calendar of the HIJ. The training week was concluded in Tirana, with a special session with the unit of inspectors and assistant inspectors, where the main results, findings and recommendations were discussed, based on which a Guide to best inspection practices will be prepared.





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